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Savannah Poor House & Hospital
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An Act

To Incorporate the Savannah Poor House and Hospital

Be it enacted by the Senate & House of Representatives of the State of Georgia in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That Joseph Cumming, S. C. Dunning, R. King, John Gardner, P. M. Kellock, Wm. R. Waring, M. Hopkins, J. Sorrel, R. D. Arnold, Charles S. Henry, J. D. Corbett, J. Hestrick and A. J. Bayard, and all other persons who shall annually pay the sum of Five Dollars or more toward the support of the said Institution shall be and they are hereby constituted a body corporate under the name & style of the "Savannah Poor House and Hospital" with all the powers, rights, privileges and liabilities incident to a Corporation.

Section 2 And be it further enacted that for the due conduct of the said Corporation there shall be elected by ballot on the first Monday in February next and on the first Monday of February annually thereafter seven managers and that at such elections a plurality of votes shall elect and such persons who shall have contributed the sum of Five Dollars or more to the purpose of such institution shall be entitled to vote.

Section 3 And be it further enacted that from and after the passage of this act the Auction duty payable to the State in the county of Chatham be and the same are hereby given and appropriated to the support of the said institution and the same shall be collected by the Corporation of Savannah and paid over to the managers of the said Institution. Provided that the said appropriation may be by any future Legislature withdrawn.

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and withheld when considered to do so.

Joseph Day
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Robert Mc Echols
President of the Senate

Assented to 26th December 1835

William Schley
Governor

Secretary of States office

Montgomery 26th January 1836

The foregoing is a true copy from the original bill, of file in this office

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The Charter of Incorporation as before copied was received from Milledgeville, by which it will be seen that certain persons therein named were incorporated as members of the said Corporation and that qualification for membership was the Annual payment of Five Dollars and further that the first election for Directors was to be held on the first Monday in February in each Year.

Whereupon sundry persons were called upon who became subscribers of various sums to qualify themselves to vote for Managers of said Corporation and the following persons paid respectively the sum set opposite to their names and thereby became members of the Corporation and will continue such on said Annual payment of not less than Five Dollars—

Joseph Cumming	\$ 5.00
Ralph King	5.00
Walter Hopkins	5.00
Francis Cornell	5.00
Ch ^s S. Henry	4.00
S. D. Corbett	5.00
Sam ^l Philbrick	5.00
A. J. Gayard	10.00
A. R. Cuyler	5.00
R. Hubersham	10.00
Geo. Hoate	5.00
G. B. Cumming	5.00
Wm. Duncan	5.00
A. R. Gordon	5.00
Wm. Gaston	20.00
R. Hutchison	50.00
And ^r Low Ho	50.00
Scott & Patfour	10.00
John & Jas. Reid	10.00
B. C. Hand	5.00
W. Harper	5.00
J. S. Grant	5.00
C. S. Carter	5.00

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Ans Gardiner	. 5.00
Laurance Legriel	. 5.00
J. Stone	. 5.00
W. Paderson	. 5.00
C. Holmquist Jr	. 20.00
W. P. Hunter	. 5.00
A. E. Miller	. 5.00
Norman Wallace	. 5.00
Thos Purse	. 5.00
W. W. Gordon	. 10.00
E. P. Lamar	. 10.00

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Whereupon an election was ordered to be held on Monday
the first of February at the Counting House of Jos. Cumming
at 12 o'clock M. and on counting out the votes given in
it appeared that Joseph Cumming

Ralph King

John Gardiner

Matthew Hopkins

William Duncan

Chas. S. Henry &

Cyrus P. Carter

were

duly elected managers for one year, and the same was
published accordingly with a request that the Managers
elected convene and organize the Board at 12 M.

on Tuesday the 2^d inst at Mr. Cumming's Counting House
whereupon after such convention there were present

Joseph Cumming, C. P. Carter Wm. Duncan

R. King & M. Hopkins

and

the election of Officers proceeded and

Joseph Cumming was elected President

Matthew Hopkins was elected Treasurer

& C. P. Carter was chosen Secretary

Mr. Cumming paid to the Treasurer \$350.00 and the
board adjourned, having previously confirmed the
appointment of visiting committee for February & March
M. Hopkins & Jos. Cumming and attending Physician
(Doctors) Kellock & Arnold.

Forward

An Extra meeting of the Board of Managers of the Saranac
and St. Regis Hospital, held at the counting room
of Joseph Cummings Esq on Tuesday 5th day April 1886
present

Joseph Cummings Pres.
Charles Hopkins Secy.
Joseph King
J^m C. Duncan

The President said since the read a draft of Rules
for the Government of the Saranac St. Regis Hospital
which were read and adopted according to the following
order in regular succession.

Mr King the former Treasurer then presented
his account which was examined & was found accompanied
by the proper vouchers and showing a balance of cash
on hand the sum of Four^{ty} Dollars which balance
was handed to Mr Hopkins his successor.

Rule 1st The Election of a Board of seven Managers shall
take place in each year on the first Monday in February.
The qualification of voters at said Election is the payment
of a sum not less than five Dollars to the funds of
the Hospital.

Rule 2nd Previously to the annual election the Board
shall appoint Superintendents of the Election who shall
receive the votes of the members of the Corporation and
make report of the result of the said election to the
Board appointing them. which Board shall remain
in office until the organization of the new Board.

Rule 3rd The newly Elected Board shall convene in a
within ten days after their election and proceed to
organize itself for its duties by electing a President
Secretary & Treasurer from their own body and within
ten days thereafter shall appoint a Collector for the
term of one year.

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Rule 4th The Board shall meet on the second Wednesday
 in each Month at 4 O'clock P.M. Three members
 shall form a quorum from the first of June to first of
 December - from the first of December to the first
 of June. The Secretary shall notify such meetings
 in the papers.

Rule 5th The Board shall be divided into Visiting
 Committees. Two for two months, who shall visit the
 Hospital at least once a week and it shall be their
 duty to observe all the management of the Hospital,
 correct at once any thing they see mismanaged &
 report to the Board at its next regular or extra
 Meeting.

Rule 6th On the resignation or death of any of the Members
 of the Board or officers the remaining members of the
 Board shall fill such vacancy in their order at their
 discretion. The same rule shall apply to the Steward.

Rule 7th The President shall superintend the general
 interests of the Institution. Preside at all meetings
 and a casting vote in equal divisions of the Board and
 beside this shall have the power to call Extra Meetings.

Rule 8th The Secretary shall keep a record of all the
 transactions of the Board and read the same at all
 meetings of the Board. He shall publish in
 course the names of the Visiting committee and
 Physicians every two months. Notify the same.

Rule 9th The Treasurer shall keep the funds
 of the Institution and a fair record of the Receipts
 and Expenditures (for the Institution) and his accoun-
 ts shall be examined and certified by the Visiting
 Committee once in three months.

Rule 10th — None can admit "Painful Patients" to the Hospital save the visiting Committee except in cases of emergency in which most any member of the Board may do so in the attending Physicians.

Rule 11th — The visiting Committee shall pass all accounts. On their certificate the Treasures may pay them and all purchases except marketing daily can only be made by themselves and by the Steward under their supervision.

Rule 12th — The visiting Physicians shall have the entire charge of the medical department and Surgery in the Hospital. They shall be appointed at the first meeting in February in each and every year and shall not receive any compensation for their services.

Rule 13th — The Steward shall see that the wards of the Hospital are properly cleaned, that the Patients are attended in the administration of Medicine, nursing &c. and to any other duties connected with his Station. His duty shall be to use the strictest economy in every expenditure. His salary is fixed at Six Hundred Dollars per annum.

Rule 14th — The Physicians shall consider it their duty to discharge Patients as early as their cases will admit.

Rule 15th — The Steward shall keep a regular list of all Patients admitted into the Hospital - distinguishing class and registering Birth, place of Name, Age, disease and death or discharge so that the same may be consulted in future.

Rule 16th — The Steward shall appoint servants and nurses under the advice of the visiting Committee.

and the same shall be subject to his authority at all times.

Rule 17th — No Patients having the "Small Pox" Measles shall be admitted to the Hospital.

Rule 18th — All the Patients in the Hospital shall obey the prescriptions of the Physicians and the orders of the Steward. Any refusal shall subject the Patient to a discharge at the discretion of the Physicians, Steward or Visiting Committee.

Rule 19th — Poor Patients shall be admitted into the Hospital on the terms prescribed by the Visiting Committee.

Rule 20th — No Patient on any pretence shall enter the Kitchen or the Servants apartments, nor shall the male and female Patients enter the Ward or Wards of the other on pain of discharge. No Smoking shall be allowed in the Hospital unless by the Steward.

Rule 21st — Any Patient introducing or procuring to be introduced any spirituous or fermented or Intoxicatory Liquors shall be immediately discharged.

Rule 22nd — There shall be no gaming of any kind in the Hospital. Penalty for the same? discharge from the Hospital.

Rule 23rd — No Patient shall leave the Hospital without the permission of the Steward or Pain of discharge.

Rule 24th — Pauper Patients shall assist in nursing the Sick when the Physicians approve it, or do any other work that the Steward assigns them with the concurrence of the Physicians.

Rule 25th All clothing left by ^{deceased} diseased Patients shall be considered the property of the Hospital and to be disposed of by the visiting Committee

Rule 26th These Rules shall not be altered except by a vote of three fourths of the whole Board regularly convened on the appointed day of meeting -

Resolved that John P. Mills be the Steward of the Surinam Poor House & Hospital from this day, until the next annual election at the discretion of the Board at a Salary at the rate of Six Hundred Dollars per Annum. *for Rule 15th adopted this day.*

Resolved that J. P. Mills be required to render to the Treasurer a Statement of his accounts with the Hospital up to the first day of the present month

Resolved that Ralph King & Wm. Duncan be the visiting Committee for April and May & that doctrs. Arnold & Hollock be the visiting Physicians for the Year ending in February 1837.

Adjourned.

C. P. Carter
Secy.

At a Monthly Meeting of the Board of Managers for the Poor House & Hospital Held at the Counting room of Joseph Cunningham & Co. the Eleventh of May 1836. The following Members were present.

Joseph Cunningham	Pres.
M. Hopkins	Mat.
C. P. Carter	Secy.
R. King	
W. Duncan	

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed -

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The Treasurer (Mr. Hopkins) handed in the Account of the Hospital to date. Messrs Duncan & King were appointed to examine the same. which they found correct & showing a balance in the Treasurers hands of 157²⁴/₁₀₀ Dollars.
On Motion. Resolved. That the ^{existing} Committee limit the number of Servants employed in the Hospital. That the number be not too large & if necessary increase it.

Resolved. That the following list of Sundry Expenses be paid. by

one dollar 7 Decr 1835.	370
" " 26 " "	375
" " 2 Jan'y 1836	488
" " "	17.08 Amt to \$ 78.43.

Resolved That the Secretary prepare a subscription paper & hand the same to the Steward of the Hospital. to receive & collect subscriptions for the benefit of the institution.

Resolved. That the Chairman & Secretary call upon the Executors of Mr. Young for the Bond of James Hamilton assigned to them by said executors.

An abstract account of J. B. Miles was made up & passed by the board as follows

Dr. to Balance due by J. B. Miles former Treasurer	152 65
Minutes 28 July 1835	
And paid J. B. Miles by Mr. Hopkins & Co. 205 00	357 65

Dr. By sales of per. & other for Feb'y	116 54
March	129 60
April	132 36
And due J. B. Miles Aug dat	383 24
	\$ 726 54

W. J. Garrison

Savannah June 8th 1836
 at a monthly meeting of the Directors of the Savannah
 Poor House & Hospital held this day at the Counting
 Room of Joseph Cumming Esq. Present
 Joseph Cumming
 M. Hopkins
 W. B. Carter

Resolved. That the following accounts are correct
 & to be settled - viz. That E. Jenks hire for wood
 be settled on the most favourable terms by the Masures.
 That J. Wagners hire for Bread amounting to
 One Hundred & Seventy One ^{1/2} Im Dollars be settled -
 That the bill of E. Martin Luther amounting to Twelve
 Dollars be settled -

The Masures as to date was examined by Messrs
 King & Carter & a balance of One Hundred & Ninety
 One ^{1/2} Im Dollars found due to him -

The Masures had a settlement with the Stewards
 to J. P. Pine - a balance being against the latter of
 Twenty Eight ^{1/2} Im Dollars which must be settled
 by due bill for the present

W. B. Carter Secy

Savannah July 12th 1836
 At a regular monthly meeting of the Directors of the
 Savannah Poor House & Hospital held at the counting
 room of Messrs Joseph Cumming & Co. this day at 4 o'clock
 present - Joseph Cumming Presiding.
 M. Hopkins
 W. B. Carter
 John Gardner

Resolved. That the Masures call upon the City Treasurer
 for the auction duties granted by the Legislature to this
 corporation by act 24th Decr 1835,

Resolved. That the visiting committee for the present time
 take the account of J. C. Scott Esq for \$86 & examine the

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Jenkinson & Haughton for Coffins amounting to \$54.00 also
Jos. Cumming & Co for 1 Bbl Sugar worth to \$33.50
Resolved that this institution retain the present
contract with the Custom House for furnishing
Seamen with assistance &c at our Hospital.

Adjourned
C. P. Carter Secy

Savannah August 10th 1836

At a monthly meeting of the board of Directors of the
Savannah Poor House & Hospital held this day at the
Counting Room of Messrs Jos. Cumming & Co

Present. Joseph Cumming, President
Mr Hopkins, Treasurer
C. P. Carter Secy

An
examination of the Treasurers accounts was made by
Messrs Cumming & Carter and a balance found in favour
of the institution of \$337.50, was paid over to Mr Cumming
who agreed to take the Treasurership during the temporary
absence of Mr Hopkins.

Resolved. That the balance of \$75.00 due John Wagner
for Bread previous to 1st July 1835. be paid.

Adjourned
C. P. Carter Secy

Savannah September 14th 1836

At a regular Monthly Meeting of the board of Directors of the
Savannah Poor House & Hospital held at the Counting
Room of Messrs Jos. Cumming & Co.

Present. Jos. Cumming, C. P. Carter, W. Duncan & J. Gardner
Resolved. That the Secretary address Mr. B. Miller
the present Treasurer - to wit - "That his services as
Treasurer of the Savannah Poor House & Hospital will not
be required after the first of October next"

Adjourned
C. P. Carter Secy

Savannah Monday 21 September 1836

An Extra Meeting of the Board of Managers of the Savannah Poor House & Hospital was held on this day at the Counting Rooms of Joseph Cumming Esq
Present.

Joseph Cumming (Pres)

C. S. Henry

Mr Gardiner

Mr Duncan

The President stated that, the meeting had been called for the purpose of reconsidering a resolution of the last regular meeting of this Board, as follows

"Resolved" "that the Secretary address Mr J B Mills the present Steward to wit. That his services as Steward to the Savannah Poor House & Hospital will not be required after the first of October next"

and that he had been requested by Mr. Mills to enquire of the Board if they would reconsider & rescind the said resolution that an opportunity might be allowed him to ascertain whether he as Steward could conduct the Hospital satisfactorily to the Board.

After some discussion a Resolution was offered by Mr C S Henry & seconded by Mr Duncan that the "Resolution" be reconsidered. and the same was lost -

The President stated to the Board that another Steward would be required, and read an application from Mr. J. Kottman for the office, and the Board appointed him to the office of Steward to take effect on & after the 1st October 1836. It was then Resolved that the transfer of office be under the superintendence of the President & Auditing Committee -
(Adjourned)

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Savannah November 9th 1836

At a regular monthly meeting of the Board of Managers
of the Savannah Poor House & Hospital held this day
4 PM at the County Room of Joseph Cumming, Esq.
Present.

Joseph Cumming President
C. J. Carter Secy.
M. Hopkins Treas.
R. King W. Duncan & C. J. Henry Esqrs.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.
The Stewards accounts were examined & compared with the
of the former steward found to be more economical than
general Expenses than formerly. a letter from the former
Steward was read explaining the manner & quantity
daily distributed in the Hospital.

Resolved, That Three dollars be paid to Buff (a black
and that Mr. [unclear] now employed as assistant Steward
& apothecary at four dollars per month, be continued
and Mr. Jarr be dismissed.

Resolved that a committee be appointed to examine
into the 'Fiscal' concerns of this institution, & that the
Chair appoint the same whereupon,

C. J. Carter
C. J. Henry
R. King &

W. Duncan were appointed per motion
of W. Duncan, which was carried. Joseph Cumming
& Chaumers was added to that Committee.

Writing Committee appointed for November
December. Messrs R. King & M. Hopkins
Agreed.

C. J. Carter
Secy.

Savannah

Savannah February 1833;
At an Extra meeting of the Board of Managers of the
Savannah Poor House & Hospital held this day
present

Joseph Cunningham President
C. J. Carter Secy
L. J. Henry
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The Minutes

of the last meeting were read & confirmed.
The Secretary was requested to advertise the Election of
seven Directors or Managers according to the Charter on
Monday the 6th February and the same to be held at the
Counting room of Joseph Cunningham between the hours
of 10 & 2 PM

The President as Chairman of a Committee reported
as follows. That the Monthly expense of the Hospital
may be put down at \$300, and that the Revenue may
be estimated at \$3300. An account is as follows

From the County	\$700	
" Auction Sales	700	
" Damaging Pond	350	
" Claims	1200	
" Licenses	1000	
" Other sources	200	4150
deduct our estimate		650

\$3500

The Committee from this estimate of Expense calculating
average number in Hospital at 30 to 35 Paupers & Day
Patients. If the increase be large over that the Institu-
ion cannot be supported by present estimated Funds.

It is recommended that the Contract with the
United States be revised and increased.

It was Resolved.

That the President of the
Board employ some fit person to collect Annual
Subscriptions and Donations from the Inhabitants
of Savannah & Chatham County.

The resignation of Matthew Hopkins Esq

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as a member of the Board was read & accepted.
The President was requested to make the case on
the Inferior Court for the annual appropriation of
\$700. in aid of the funds to be received when required.
- Adjourned -

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Savannah February 6/34
at an Election held this day at the counting room
of Joseph Cumming Esq. the following persons were
elected Managers of the Savannah Poor House &
Hospital for the ensuing year.

Joseph Cumming
C. J. Carter
R. B. Ayler
Ralph King
John Gardner
N. J. Payson
C. J. Henry

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Savannah March 28/34
At an Extra Meeting of the Directors of the Savannah Poor
House & Hospital held this day at 12th at the Counting
Room of Joseph Cumming Esq. present

Joseph Cumming
Ralph King
John Gardner
N. J. Payson
C. J. Ayler

The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.
In consequence of the inability to get a Board together on
the regular day, agreeable to the charter, no election took place
which was considered this day. & on motion that we proceed
immediately to the election of officers whereupon
Joseph Cumming was elected President & Treasurer
C. J. Carter Secretary

Ans. Mr F. Rottman. Steward of the
Hospital for one year.

In considering the extravagant prices of things,
the Board concluded to raise the price of board for
Truck on United States, English & foreign Seamen
to four Dollars per Week. - Day board \$3.50 & Medicine
& Medical attendance 50¢.

The following are the Visiting
Committees for the present year.

April & May	Meigs	Cumming	}
		Payard	
June & July	"	King	}
		Gardner	
August & September	"	Henry	}
		Carter	
October & November	"	King	}
		Cayler	
December & January	"	Cumming	}
		Gardner	

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Savannah February 8th 1838.
Agreeable to public notice an election was held that day during the usual hours (10 & 2), for seven Directors of the Savannah Poor House & Hospital for the ensuing year. and on counting the votes the following persons were declared unanimously elected.

Holmes Pupper

Ralph King

Wm Duncan

John Gardner

Wm P. Hunt

Wm H. Clark

W. Robertson

The new elected Managers were properly notified to meet at the Counting room of Joseph Cumming Esq on Friday the 9th inst. to organise their board but in consequence of inclement weather was postponed.

Adjourned
C. B. Carter
Secy

Agreeably to a call through the public prints the above Board elect. met at the Counting room of Joseph Cumming Esq on Monday 13th February 1838. and were organised by calling Holmes Pupper to the chair, and appointing Wm Duncan Secretary pro tem.

On motion Resolved that the Board proceed to the election of a president, when on counting the ballot, Holmes Pupper Esq. was unanimously elected.

On motion resolved that the duties of Secretary & Treasurer be discharged by one individual.

The Board then proceeded to the election of a Secretary & Treasurer, when Ralph King Esq. was duly elected.

On motion Resolved that the Secretary & Treasurer be authorised to call on the former

President Joseph Cumming left for an adjustment of the accounts for the past year and that he be authorized to receive any balance in his hands.

The president appointed the following Visiting Committees-

Feb & March	J. Gardner
"	W. Duncan
April & May	H. Tupper
"	W. P. Clarke
June, July	R. King
"	W. P. Hunter
Aug. Sept.	W. Robertson
"	J. Gardner
Oct. Nov.	W. Duncan
"	W. P. Clarke
Dec. Jan.	W. P. Hunter
"	W. Robertson

The Board then proceeded to the election of a steward and when Mr. F. Kottman was on nomination duly reelected.

The Board then adjourned
William Duncan
Secy pro tem

Meeting of the Board held at County room of H. Tupper
March 4th 1888. J. Gardner acted as Secy Protem. The following members present-

H. Tupper President

J. Gardner

W. Robertson

W. P. Hunter

W. Duncan

The minutes were read and

in conformity

Mr. Ralph King having declined the office of Secretary & Treasurer. The President was requested and elected to discharge both of those offices to which he consented.

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Mr. Arnold Holbrook was elected as Physician for the year.
On motion it was resolved that the President be
requested to obtain and report at next meeting
all such information as he might be able to
obtain from former President Mr. Cumming or
other sources as to the means of the Institution
the arrangement as to American sea men with the
Collector and other and generally all such
information as he may think useful.
Adjourned
H. Supper Presd.

A regular monthly meeting held March 14, 1838.
at the office of H. Supper. W. Duncan acted Sec. Pro Tem.
Present - The President
W. Duncan
W. Robertson absent W. P. Hunter
L. Gardner R. King
W. P. Clark

The Minutes of last meeting read & confirmed.
The President Reported as per Resolution of last
meeting which Report was accepted & ordered to be
recorded.

On Motion, The President was requested to apply
to the Justices of the Inferior Court for the annual
annual Appropriation to the Sav. Poor House &
Hospital.

A Letter from Joseph Cumming Esq. Secretary
to the Board was received, read & ordered to be
filed among the documents of the Society.

On Motion resolved that the President in
conjunction with the visiting Committee be a
Committee to present the various Claims now
existing against consignees of vessels for debts due
from Pay Patients, attached to in the President's Report
& especially in Mr. Cumming's letter and on failure of
securing the necessary satisfaction that a representation
be made to the City Council requesting their action
in the matter.

on Motion Resolved that the Pres^t be authorized
to appoint a suitable person to wait on the
Citizens generally for their usual Annual
Contribution -

The Visiting Committee were requested to Report
at the next meeting on the propriety and
expense of erecting a certain, and also of
erecting a fence to enclose as much ground
as they may think advisable - and also
that they see if any useful Materials
be about the building which may be
disposed of to dispose of the same -

on Motion Adjourned -

Willigand Mearns & Supper Pres^t
Sec. Geo. W. M.

President's Report

In accordance with a resolution of the Board passed the
first of March (last) requesting me to obtain and
report all such information as I might be able to
obtain as to the means of the institution The arrange-
ment with the Collector as to American Seamen &
other and generally all such information as I
may think wise full -

I beg leave to report -

First I find the following arrangement with the Collector
now exists viz for each American Seaman
sent to the Hospital the United States is to pay
Board per week \$10 and they is to be a contin-
ued charge so long as he may continue, but
incidental charges do not properly come under
the Hospital arrangements In such cases the
United States pays passage of the Seaman for
the patient home to his friends - The United
States also pays for medical attendance twenty
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of where seamen are distressed and destitute a
reasonable amount for clothing, and in case of
captivity for Turkey. The following is a sum-
of bills paid by the U.S. for the last 2 years -

Mar 31. 1836.	\$414.52	" 1837	614 66
June 30 "	376.79	" "	408 17
Sept 30 "	173.23	" "	583.36
Dec 31 "	381.04	" "	820.44
	<u>\$1445.58</u>		<u>\$2296.63</u>
	2296 83		

\$3742.21 averaging \$1871.11 per annum

which, on an amt. of \$1800 at least may be
calculated on from the U States -

Second. To Provide for the County Poor I find the duties of the
Inferior Court make an annual appropriation for
or about the first of May of seven hundred and
fifty dollars, which the board should not neglect to
apply for and by so doing, may calculate on its
being continued for this year -

Third. The late Thomas Young left a bequest to this
Institution of Five thousand dollars, in Payment
of which this body has rec^d from the Ex^{or} James Ham-
ilton's Bond dated 15th Jan^y 1839 at which it is
due; with a given Interest at 7% this pro-
duces an sum of \$350. income. The pro-
prietory requiring payments at maturity and of
re investing at a better rate of Interest for the
future action of the board - I would suggest -

Fourth. The next source of income is from Pay Patients of which
the British Consul pays for sailors from British Ships
at the same rate, and on same conditions with
the United States

Those vessels from which seamen are recruited who
are neither American or British must pay their
support & their consignees much after to
do so the ^{before} they are admitted -

(Fourth continued) In some few instances citizens have sent their friends to the Hospital and have paid either in full or in part for their support. All Emigrants brought in by packets between the months of June & November, such packets or consignees, are bound to pay for and from several packets there are now due the amt of 424 ⁴⁹/₁₀₀ dollars a list of consignees or of Packets I now annex viz

Barnes & B. B. Carter consignees	Ship George	24.00	
do.	Ship Savannah	12.28	36.28
Washburn & Sons do	Ship Trenton	48.28	
do.	Ship Philadelphia	70.28	
do.	Ship New Ark	41.39	159.95
John Miller & Co	Ship Columbia	39.58	
do.	Ship Angeline	49.13	
Bank in bond & do.	Ship Macan	12.70	102.57
S. Philbrick & Co.	Ship New Hanover	"	8.56
And. Low & Co.	Ship R. Isaac	8.20	
Did not bring (Papers) do.	Ship Goldenship	4.57	12.57
Woodbridge & May	Ship Solon	"	71.40
Clayborne & Wood	Ship Lewis Cay	"	38.13
			<u>\$424.40</u>

and upon the bond to the same for its action and recommend that means be taken for covering payments if payment is refused. Memo: The British Consul has paid for the last year 302.76
Other pay packets 144.04

Shewing receipts in all \$448.80
Fifth. The State Auction Tax is collected by the City Treasurer & paid over from time to time to this Institution when called for. Amt in 1836 \$1006.28 & in 1837 1207.76
Average for auction \$1107.02. Now it is proper for me to remark during these years there have been some large Estate sales which have swelled the amt \$800 may be calculated on safely.

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24.00
12.28 36.28
+8.28
74.28
41.39 159.95
39.68
49.13
13.70 102.57
8.00 8.56
4.57 12.57
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Sixth. This Institution has had considerable aid from
private donations collected annually from
citizens, however there have been smaller than
usual the last year as the wants have
less. We have received the last year as follows
from the Hibernian Society - \$54.10
from the Ch. Andrews Society 22.50
from a Grand Jury 15.00
from Citizens' Lent subscriptions 282.00
from M. Dillon Annual Subscription 10.00
these we hope may be continued until to \$384.60

Seventh. Another small source of income is from
sales of old clothes & moving left by dis-
posed for the last year the sales
old clothes amount to 64.57
clothes found in chests to 38.25 \$102.82

By the above 7 items it appears
the following has been the income -

1. Average payed for the State 187.12
2. County Appropriation 750.00
3. Interest on Bonds 350.00
4. Pay patients 446.80
5. Average Auction Tax 1157.00
6. Laundry Donations 284.60
7. Effects left by dispatients 102.82

showing receipts averaging about \$5,062.34

I have also to state the balance of cash to the
credit of the Institution (now deposited in the
First Irish Bank) was \$2164.55 out of which
I am disbursing for the Institution when required, as
will appear in my next report. All which
I respectfully submit.

Waverley March 14. 1838

* on the 14th March 1838 - St. Stephen's

William Dineen
Sec. pro tem

Geo. & Francis

At Kingston Monthly Meeting Apr 11 1888.

Present

St. Juppier Pres.

W. P. Hunter

W. Duncan

W. P. Clark

W. Robertson

L. Gardner absent R. King

The committee appointed at last meeting viz J. Gardner & W. Duncan their visiting committee.

Reported that they have been to Auction 47 of Blinds which were sold at 50¢ each and they have also ordered a corn mill sold at Auction. They find no other property at the Hospital that should be sold -

In relation to a cistern they report that they have had that matter under consideration and deem it not advisable to erect one & instead they recommend that large Iron Round Pails with Tin conductors from the eaves of the building be adopted as equally ~~advantageous~~ ^{advantageous} for all that is desired at a much less expense -

And they by leave be recommended that a fence be erected in the rear of the building in accordance with the plan & Estimate of G. Butler here with. viz commencing at the N. E. corner then running 60 ft then south 300 ft then west 215 ft then N. 300 ft then back to the Hospital 60 ft until it touches the wall ^{on the area at the N. W. corner} for 350 ft & letting ^{the subject of a fence} on the subject of a fence which report was accepted & it was resolved that the same persons be a committee empowered to carry these measures into effect by making contracts for the same.

Adjourned

St. Juppier Pres. R. King

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At a called meeting of the Board held at the office of the President, present - Thomas Supper, Mr. R. King, W. P. Hunter, Wm. Duncan, It was on motion resolved that the sum of three thousand dollars of the funds belonging to the Hospital, be loaned to Thomas Supper, until the 1st of Jan next, for his three notes of one for two thousand dollars & one each for five hundred dollars, the said notes to be endorsed by W. P. Hunter & with interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum.

The Board then adjourned
Savannah April 26. 1838 William Duncan Secy -
W. P. Hunter

We the undersigned consent to the above
William P. Clark
W. P. Hunter

At a special meeting of the Board held at the office of St. Supper Eng. May 25th 1838
Present

St. Supper W. Duncan
W. P. Clark W. P. Hunter

The President St. Supper Eng. commenced his remarks of the office occupied by his wife and moved to the north whereupon Mr. W. Duncan was duly elected as his successor. Mr. St. Supper then resigned his membership of the Board in order that his money might be filled by some individual residing in the City during the summer.

W. P. Hunter
Secy

At a special meeting of the Board held on 5th
June 1858 at the office of Wm Duncan present

Wm Duncan presiding

W. R. Hunter

Stearns

W. Robertson

The President communicated to the Board the verbal
resignation of Ralph King as a director. in conse-
quence of his intended absence from the State for
some time which was received & Charles Green
was on nomination elected to supply the vacancy
and at same time F. M. Turner was elected to sup-
ply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of
Comes Fupper.

On motion of Mr. Hunter it was resolved
that the President be authorized, to pay the ex-
penses of "Ward off", a blind patient now in the
Hospital, to New York or any other northern port.

The Board adjourned

William Duncan

Pres. & Secy.

At a regular meeting of the Board held at the
office of Wm Duncan - Sat. June 13. 1858

Present Wm Duncan pres-

P. J. M. Turner

There not being a quorum present, no business
was transacted & the Board adjourned.

William Duncan Secy.

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At a special meeting of the board held
on the 8th Decr 1838 at the office of Wm Duncan
present

William Duncan President
John Gardner Mr Robertson
Charles Green

The President communicated to the board his
his having presented to Council the draft of an
for their approval to be presented to the Legislature
imposing a Tax upon passengers from foreign
ports landed in the City of Savannah, and that
the proposition had not met countenance with
the said Council whereupon it was

Resolved that the presentation of said act
to the Legislature be for the present postponed.

On motion of Mr Gardner Resolved that the
amount of loan held by General Hamilton due
on the 15th day next, be called in with the interest
for investment at an improved rate of interest in
such manner as determined upon by a committee
convened for the purpose or continued with present talior
if deemed most advantageous and security of satisfactory.

On motion Mr Green resolved that the loan
granted to Mr Shipper (\$5000) secured by Mr
Bartree's endorsement and due 1 Jan'y 1839. be renewed
for one year, upon same security and interest.

The board then adjourned

Charles Green

Secy.

William Duncan

At a Special Meeting of the Board held
on the 17 Jan'y 1839 at the office of Mr Duncan
present

William Duncan President
William Hunter
William Robertson
John Gardner
J. M. Turner
Charles H. H.

The President communicated to the Board that
the loan granted to Mr Tupper upon his note
for \$3000 and due 1 January had been renewed
for twelve months secured by Mr Crabtree's en-
dorsement.

and further that the amount of \$5000
loaned to Gen: Hamilton had been repaid
with interest and the bond given up.

The President then stated to the Meeting
that he had convened the Board for the purpose
of determining how the amount received from
Gen: Hamilton may be most advantageously
invested.

On Motion Mr Hunter Resolved that
the sum of five thousand dollars be loaned to
S. C. Summing Trustees secured by a Mortgage
on the property adjoining Mr Eastman referred to
by him in application for the said loan. - said
Mortgage to be executed to the satisfaction of an
attorney and opinion of said attorney that
the decree of the Superior Court sanctions the
Trustees in executing such Mortgage. and
further Resolved that the President be authorized
to carry the above into execution - said loan
to be made for one ~~year~~ years and the rate
of Interest to be eight per cent per annum.

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The President stated the funds of the Institution were in an available and satisfactory condition -

and further laid before the board a letter from Mr Coppee, offering to supply the Hospital with a stock of Medicines at low and reduced prices -

whereupon it was ^{motioned} resolved and seconded that the offer of Mr Coppee be declined inasmuch as it is more expedient that the supplies of Medicines for the Hospital be laid in in small quantities as required so as to ensure a fresh quality.

The Meeting then adjourned -

Charles G. G. Secy

William Duncan
President

Secretary -

Adopted at the above meeting have loaned at 12 mos from 19th inst. to J. C. Drinning Trustee, five thous and dollar, on Bond & Mortgage of premises on Lot No 9, occupied by Wm. & M. W. W. W. & Solomon & N. Aldrich. Have seen Mr. Drinning's books, & have seen the sum \$7504. at debt said premises. & I have seen said sum of \$5000 placed to credit of said premises.

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The Bond Mortgage & Policies of these & together with the order of court, to authorize J. C. Drinning to borrow said money. Have placed in the trust

of the South Portland Hospital which is deposited
in the vault of the Marine Bank.

William Duncan

President

At a meeting of the members of the South
Portland Hospital convened by the President
for the purpose (after public advertisement) of
Electing Seven Directors for said Institution to
serve for one Year. The votes were duly
taken and upon being counted the following
gentlemen were declared elected.

William Duncan
Charles Green
William P. Hunter
J. W. Turner
W. P. Clark
John Gardner
A. B. Fanning

We do hereby certify that the
above named individuals were duly elected
as ascertained upon counting the votes.

Wm. R. Buntin

Charles Green

Manager
of
election.

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At a special meeting of the board held at office of Wm Duncan on the 7th July 1835 the meeting was organized by calling Wm Duncan Esq: to the Chair and proceeded to the election of a President by Ballot whereupon on counting the votes William Duncan Esquire was found duly elected to serve as President Secretary and Treasurer for the ensuing year.

The minutes of the Regular & Special Meeting were then read and confirmed.

It was then moved and seconded that a Committee be appointed to examine the accounts for the last year whereupon Mr Hunter and Mr Green were appointed that Committee.

On motion the president it was resolved that the Committee for the ensuing six months and the following Gentlemen were so appointed

W. P. Hunter	}	for February & March
A. B. Fanning		
John Gardner	}	for April & May
Charles Green		
William P. Clark	}	for June & July
J. M. Turner		

On motion Mr Hunter resolved that the present incumbent of Stewardship be re-elected for the ensuing year whereupon Mr Kottmann was declared re-elected.

The president then laid before the board the particulars of a dissection having taken place at the Hospital upon the remains of one of the pauper patients and requested the opinion and

At a
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on the
7th July
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Managers
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action of the board upon the subject -
whereupon ^{it was} resolved that there is no evi-
dence on the minutes of this board or any preceding
boards of any such privileges having been granted
to the attending Physicians and disapproving as
this board does of such procedure hereby unani-
mously resolve that the same be and is prohib-
ited for the future -

The meeting then adjourned.

Charles R. Stearns
Secretary -

William Duncan
Pres

At a meeting of the Managers of the Poor House Hospital
held at the Hospital on Monday 18th September 1839.
Present, Wm Duncan President.

John Gardner, M.D. Clerk. & Wm R. Hunter Esq.

Mr Wm R. Hunter was requested to act as Secretary: where the
President stated that he had convened the Board in consequence of a
letter received from F. Kottmann Steward, of which the following is
copy

Wormouth Sept 12th 1839.

Sir,

The Rev Mr Titching has been this day in Hospital
charging me with inhumanity.

He also stated that one Neale who died last
night had been strangled by Doctor.

He also stated that more or thirty complaints had
been made to him about my treating the Irish differently, not pay-
ing that attention to them as to other patients.

I will not put up with this I demand a strict in-
vestigation and request of you as President to institute one.

Wm Duncan Esq
per Hospital &c

Respy, Yrs &c F. Kottmann Steward

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The Rev. Mr. Fielding who was in attendance, and had been notified of the intended meeting as was invited to be present at the examination of witnesses. Mr. Fielding reiterated the charges contained in the above letter of Mr. Hoffman stating that they were not founded on his own knowledge, but on the report of others, inmates of the Hospital.

The Rev. Mrs. O'Neal appearing at this time was also invited to attend the meeting of the Board, and did so.

The President stated that though it was proper that all complaints against the Steward should be made to him or some member of the Board, yet as these charges had come to his knowledge in this case from other sources as well as by Mr. Hoffman's demand of an investigation it was desirable that the most full and complete examination should take place to which end Mr. Fielding was requested to name any witnesses on whom he depended to prove the charges and both Mr. Fielding & Mrs. O'Neal were informed that they were at perfect liberty to put any questions to the witnesses that they might think proper the object of the Board being to elicit truth.

The following witnesses were then examined:

Fr. Sullivan
Henry Saragyn
David Collins
Patrick Green
John McRynolds
Mrs. Haley

Such of the above witnesses as were able to attend the Board did so - the others, viz. Collins, Saragyn, & Mrs. Haley testified to our Committee of the Board consisting of John Gardner & Joseph Hunter, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Fielding in the first two cases, & in the last case (that of Mrs. Haley) by the Rev. Mr. O'Neal. The testimony of these last witnesses & taken by our Committee, immediately on the return of the Committee reported to the Board.

Three hours or more having been taken in the examination of witnesses, the evidence being closed, on motion, The Board adjourned to tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Tuesday afternoon - Sept 17. 1839.

The Board of Managers of the Boston Hospital met pursuant to Adjournment.

Present William Duncan President

John Gossamer

William P. Black

William P. Hunter

Dr. Arnold & Kollock Physicians of the Hospital, were invited to attend the Board and advise with it, and give all the information in their power, on the subject under investigation. The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.

The attending Physicians having given their testimony on every point submitted the following resolutions were, unanimously adopted.

Resolved That there has been no evidence furnished of inhumanity on the part of the Stewards, below the ordinary mark of the mistakes spoke in the highest terms of Mr. Matthews general treatment.

Resolved That the second charge - viz. that the Patient Keale was strangled to death, is untrue and without foundation. From the evidence of the attending Physicians it appears that on the evening of his death, he was put in a strait jacket, properly and, all the usual means employed to keep him under a wholesome restraint & further that he died, under a complication of diseases, - having both Bilious fever & Mania Potus.

Resolved That there has been no evidence of different treatment on the part of the Stewards towards the Irish Patients, from those of other Countries - but it did appear in evidence that the Steward had occasionally spoken of the Irish Patients as being the most dirty, obstinate & troublesome in the Institution.

Resolved Therefore That Mr. Matthews is not justly chargeable with the acts complained of, but the Board desire to express their decided disapprobation of any unkind bearing upon the natives, or in any way calculated to wound the feelings of those who are thrown upon the Institution.

Resolved That while the Board will most cheerfully hear, and by all proper means correct any abuse in the Hospital,

They must require such complaints to be made to the President or visiting Committee, or entered on the Book provided for visitors, which is at all times open for any remarks on the conditions of the Hospital, that visitors may think proper to make. A contrary course would lead to constant confusion and destroy the efficiency of any Stewards.

Resolved that the President be authorized to furnish a copy of the foregoing resolutions to Mr. McArthur, Steward, and to communicate the result of the investigation to the Rev Mr. Fielding.

The Board then adjourned.

W. J. Hunter
Secretary

W. D. Duncan
Pres

Savannah 14th Feb. 1840

At a meeting of the members of the Savannah Poor House and Hospital ^(or public advertisement) ~~Committee~~ ^{members} convened by the president for the purpose of electing seven Directors for said institution for one year the votes were duly taken and upon being counted the following gentlemen were declared elected

B. E. Stiles
John Gardner
William Duncan
A. B. Fanning
J. M. Turner
Wm. P. Clark
Charles Green

We do hereby certify that the above individuals were duly elected as ascertained upon counting the votes.

Charles Green
William Duncan
Superintendent
Director

Savannah 27 Feb: 1840

At a special Meeting of the Board of the Savannah Poor House & Hospital held at the counting room of Mr Duncan the meeting was opened by calling Mr W Duncan to the chair.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of a President by ballot whereupon on counting the votes Mr Duncan Esquire was found duly re-elected to serve as President Secretary & Treasurer for the ensuing year.

An election was then entered into for Physicians and Superintendent and

Dr Arnold }
Dr Tufts } were chosen physicians
& Mr Kottmann was chosen Superintendent

The President then entered into ample and satisfactory detail of the Statistics and ~~state of the~~ Affairs of the Hospital during the last year - and into an exposition of its resources and monetary matters.

Whereupon it was resolved on motion that the President be requested to furnish for the public prints such extracts from the Statistics laid before the meeting as he would deem might serve the interests of the institution.

The President then exhibited to the meeting a statement of the dilapidated condition of the western wing of the Hospital and of the entire roof.

Whereupon it was on motion resolved that the President be requested to apply to the City Council for an appropriation to repair the roof of the Hospital and western wing.

Major Tamm then laid before the meeting a statement of the substance of his application to the Marine Department on the subject of the admission of

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sick American Sailors into the Hospital by the President & Board altho' no provision has been made by the Marine department for the defraying the adequate expenses of such admissions. Major Jamieson further stated that he has not yet heard in reply from the department and that until he did so he felt that he was entirely dependent upon the courtesy and humanity of the board of the Hospital in not closing their doors upon his seamen.

Whereupon it was on motion resolved that tho' the board has a right to expect more prompt action from the marine department on the subject referred to, yet out of consideration for the position of Maj Major Jamieson they will continue to receive his seamen as before until the further determination of this board be made known.

A statement was then made to the effect that occasional indigent and infirm people presented themselves as fit objects for the charitable shelter and support the Hospital could afford from time to time.

Whereupon it was on motion resolved that the President be empowered to admit such indigent and infirm as might appear to him proper subjects for admission as "poor" into the Hospital.

The meeting then adjourned.

Charles F. Smith

Secretary

William D. Duncanson
Pres.

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Report of President on file.

Sept. 11th 1840

A part of the Board met at the office of W. Duncan
present: W. Duncan pres. F. M. Furman there
being no business for special transaction
to a quorum not being present the meeting
was adjourned
William Duncan
Secy.

James Wallace of the County of Chatham
having left a legacy to this Institution, an
attested extract from his will in reference
to the disposition of same is herewith, to serve as
a reference for the Board of Managers.

Recently after the payment of my debts
and the legacies given, I will devise bequeath, &
direct that of the net residue & remainder of my
estate & its proceeds, one third be paid over by my
executors to the Commissioners of the Poor, House
& Hospital of the City of Savannah. That the other
two thirds of such net residue & remainder of my
said estate be divided into three parts. One equal
part to be paid over to the Female Asylum of
the City of Savannah, one equal part to be paid
over to the Widows Society of the City of Savannah
and the remaining equal third part of the two
thirds part of the residue of my estate to be
paid to the Sages and Sons Society of the City of
Savannah. - It is my will that the legacies
herein given to those charitable societies shall
be by the Managers or Directors of those societies
in some profitable stock or property & that the
profits or income thereof be forever applied to
the purposes of such institutions & that the Capital
sums be in no wise encroached upon. And if
the said institutions or either of them cannot
legally take & hold what is herein given to them
respectively, it is my will that my Executors

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take & hold the same until all legal difficulties
be removed." "J. Wallace"

State of Georgia } Clerk's office Court of Ordinary
Chatham County } I Edward Wilson Deputy Clerk
of said Court, do hereby certify, that the foregoing
is a true extract from, & a true copy of the Eleventh
item of the last Will & Testament of James Wallace,
late of Chatham County deceased as appears from
the records of said office & the original of file
therein. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand & affixed the seal of said Court, this
thirtieth December A. D. Eighteen hundred & forty
Edward J. Wilson
Deputy Clerk C.O. C.

A meeting of the Board of Managers was
held at the office of W. Duaneau, on January
5th 1841. Present W. Duaneau, President,
Charles Green John Carder & J. H. Stanning.
The President reported to the Board, a legacy
to the Institution left by James Wallace, one
third of which was due on 1st inst. had not
been paid, & that he had been informed
by the Executor on the Estate W. H. Gordon, Jr.
that it would not be paid for ninety days.
He further reported that Mr. Gordon would obtain
the note of Henry McAlpin, the person from
whom the legacy is due, at ninety days which
might be discounted, should the Board deem
it necessary to raise the funds in that way
for an immediate investment in stocks
or otherwise. Whereupon it was on motion
Resolved that, in as much as the funds
are not now available, it is the opinion
of this Board, that it will be proper to
postpone all action in this matter, at least

till the next meeting of the board - say
in February next. The president further
reported, that of the residuum of J. Wallace's
Estate there are 25 shares of Rail Road
stock, which Mr. Gordon recommends the
various Institutions to which the residuum
is given to divide & hold in preference
to selling at the present time. Whereupon
Resolved

That the president be authorized
to receive a transfer of 10 shares of said
stock to this Institution.

The president further reported, that
there had been considerable excitement
in the City during the late elections, in con-
sequence of patients from the Hospital
having been permitted to go to the polls
& recommended that there should be no
call on the Citizens at this time for a
contribution in aid of the Institution &
that the sale be postponed until
Spring - which course was approved &
recommended.

He further reported, that he had
applied to the City Council agreeably to res-
olution of this board adopted in Feb'y last
for an appropriation of \$1500. to be applied
to repairs of the roof of the Hospital, & the
paint of the interior of the Building. And
that the same was granted. He further report-
ed the repairs nearly completed, and that the
cost of same would be about \$2300. - all
which was approved.

He further reported, that
the five thousand dollars of the funds of the
Institution heretofore loaned at 8 per cent to
Comer & Copper with 12 months interest
had been paid on 4th inst. & proposed for.

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...the same, at the same rate of interest,
for twelve months, for his note endorsed
by Messrs Scott & Balfour, which was agreed to.
The President further reported, that he
had been notified by the Collector of Customs,
that Government, ~~was~~ after the expiry of
the existing contract between Government &
the Hospital for the benefit of disabled seamen
would decline a renewal of the same,
unless at a reduction of one third from
the present rate. After conversation on this
point, it being ascertained that the existing
contract does not expire till 1st July next,
It was recommended that any action in
this matter be postponed indefinitely.

Messrs John Carson & W. Duncan
were appointed Superintendents of the
election of the Board of Managers for the
next year, said election to be held on
the first Monday in February next.

Whereupon then adjourned
William Duncan
Pres. J. Perry.

I approve of the above

Dr. J. P. Smith

At a meeting of the ^{Subscribers} ~~Members~~
of the Savannah Poor House &
Hospital, said subscribers con-
vened by public advertisement
for the purpose of electing seven
Managers for said institution for
one year. The votes were duly
taken and on counting the ballots
the following Gentlemen were
duly elected.

William Duncan
B. Stiles
John Gardner
Charles Green
W. Fanner
Thos. M. Turner
G. W. Davis.

We hereby certify that the above
individuals were duly elected on
counting the votes - this first day
of February 1841.

Supervisor

John Gardner
William Duncan

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Savannah Saturday 6th Feb^y 1841. The Board elected on the 1st instants met at the office of W. Duncan, President. William Duncan, John Gardner Charles Green A. S. Fanning & W. Davis. The Board went into an election of a President & Treasurer. W. Duncan was re-elected. Doctors Arnold & Bullock. Having authorized the President, to say, that they would cheerfully serve as Physicians to the Hospital for another Year, were unanimously re-elected. W. Kottman was re-elected Steward for a Year.

The President then read a report of the Condition & Prospects of the institution, which was on motion ordered to be entered on the Minutes. and is as follows:-

Report of the President of the Board of Managers Savannah Poor House & Hospital Feb^y 1st 1841.

I embrace the present opportunity of presenting to the Board the following statement of the Condition & affairs of the Hospital.

At the Annual meeting of the Board in the month of Feb^y of last Year, the President was by resolution authorized & requested to apply to the Board of Aldermen of the City, for an appropriation by them of such an amount as he might deem necessary to repair the roof of the Hospital & make such other improvements & alterations in the interior as had been suggested. - In accordance with the expressed desire of the Board, I drew up a petition to Council setting forth the dilapidated condition of the roof of the Hospital &c and asked for an

appropriation of \$2000 - for its repair and at
same time requested them to appoint a
Committee of their body, with whom I would
at any time attend at the Hospital, and point
out the contemplated repairs. The petition
I entrusted to the particular care of R. H. Cuffey
Esq. a member of Council, having previously
satisfied him of the necessity of these repairs
for the preservation of the Building. Mr. Cuffey
presented the petition, it was favorably received,
and a Committee consisting of Aldermen Waring
& Kuttler was appointed to examine the building
& report. They did examine the building &
reported favorably, & moved the appropria-
tion of the sum asked for \$2000 - But some
of the Board of Aldermen thinking it too much
the sum of \$1800 was proposed & carried. And
on the faith of that appropriation, I supplied to
workmen in the City for estimates for the work.
I saw Webb, & Jesse Moulton, were the only
gentles who estimated. The estimate of the
first named, was over \$2000 including Carpenter
work. That of Jesse Moulton including Carpenter
work was about \$1800. I therefore directed
Mr. Moulton to proceed with the Mason work,
and Mr. Kuttler with the Carpenter work.
For the want of materials they were unable
to begin at once & the work was postponed
until October last. It was then commenced
& is now completed in a very satisfactory manner.
An entire new roof has been laid, and five
additional rooms for the accommodation of patients
have been fitted up in a comfortable manner. The
general appearance of the building has been greatly
improved. The amount expended & to be expended
for repairs over the amount of appropriation by
Council will not fall short of \$400. but it is of
great displeasure to be able to say, that this sum

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on our resources, can be met, without expending the funds already invested -

The number of patients admitted into the Hospital during the last year is 494 of which there were pauper patients 330. United States seamen under permit from collect: 119 British seamen under permit from Br. Consul 38

Pay Patients

Of these 494 admitted 381 were discharged cured 494 of 330 pauper patients admitted 77 died " 119 United States seamen " 7 " " 38 British seamen " 2 " " 7 pay patients " 3 " making

89 deaths in all out of an admission of 494 or about one sixth. If we analyze this calculation, and make it in reference to each particular class of patients admitted we have, of 330 paupers admitted 77 deaths " 119 Seamen " 9 " -

at first sight, it will perhaps seem strange to the board that there should be such a disproportion in the deaths, when we know that all the classes of patients have the same medical treatment, & the same attention in every respect. It is to be accounted for I think in the following facts. The heaviest admissions of paupers is in the summer season, while of seamen it is in the winter & spring, & we all know that the diseases of summer are more fatal than those of winter. It is to be accounted for however in the more lamentable fact, that by far the greater proportion of paupers admitted are men of decidedly intemperate habits, & if their disease at death is not recorded by the attending physician as mania a potu, I am well satisfied in my own mind & am confirmed in this opinion by that of Doctor Arnold, that intemperance either immediate or remote,

is the cause of more than one half of the deaths
among the Class. Permit me to recapitulate
One of about four of the Class of paupers
admitted dies - while of German Americans
& British only ^{one} of about twenty three dies.

These are appalling facts, and are well calcu-
lated to rouse the philanthropic mind to
action & exertion in the efforts that are now
making to lessen the evils of intemperance.

Since our last annual meeting
I have ascertained that the Sacramento Poor
House & Hospital will receive as its propor-
tion of the residuary bequest of James Wallace,
deceased, about \$12000. One half of this sum
was payable on 1st January last, but I was noti-
fied by W. M. Gordon, Esq. one of the Executors
that it would not be paid before April & perhaps
not then. In the meantime, it is well secured
& bearing interest, which with the principal
will be paid over this year. The remainder
of the bequest say about \$6000 is payable
1st January next. On account of the bequest
of James Wallace I have called from the Executor
John Shaw of the Capital stock of the Central
Rail Road & Shipping Co. of which \$10000
have been paid, which two shares are
transferred on the books of the Board to the
share is made in the name of the "Sacramento
House & Hospital". I have also ascertained
that the Executors of J. S. & Co. being that proportion of
the money in the hands of the Executors to which
we are entitled. Assuming the amount
to be received from the Estate of James Wallace
to be three and a half million of which sum \$12000
is the bequest of James Wallace five thousand and no more
which amount is loaned on Bond & mortgage to
J. S. & Co. at 8% interest 3 5.000
forwards \$17.000

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We have on loan to W. Duncan for his two notes
One for \$2000 & one for \$1000. endorsed by
Scott & Ralston. These thousand dollars which
amount may be considered as a part of the
of permanent fund, as the income from
other sources will be adequate to the ex-
penditures without touching the principal.

Making in all \$20000 which may be considered
as a permanent fund belonging to the Poor
House & Hospital which will yield an yearly
income of sixteen thousand dollars.

I now beg to present a statement of
the probable receipts & expenditures for the present
year. To know the general expenses of the Hospital
for the year at
Am't. set by before for repairs & improvements 1150
For incidental charges 200

Making the sum of \$1350. to be expended for the year 1841
To meet this expenditure we will have
Average receipts from U. S. Seamen \$1426.51
" " " State auction tax 900.00
" " " British consal for Seamen 480.00
" " " Duty of clothes of poor 100.00
" " " pay patients & pocket books 400.00

To which add interest on Bond S. C. Canning \$400.
" " loan to W. Duncan 200.00
" " equal approp. from S. bond 700.00
" " probable int. from S. S. Seamen 1000.00
" " probable collect. from alms 100.00
" " balance of appropriation by Council 1000.00

To which add balance of cash on hand January 30th 1841
forwarded \$ 0.632.41

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